

13 April 1971

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Telephonic Approvals by the 40 Committee

2. SAFSS Forecast

The SAFSS forecast for April 1971 was telephonically approved by the 40 Committee on 1 April with the following modifications:

25X1 a. All overflights continued to be stood down, but the proposed Photo and SIGINT IDEALIST/TACKLE missions were approved with the understanding that there be no approach closer than 20 n.m.

- b. The proposed TAGBOARD mission was not approved for the month of April.
- c. The GIANT SCALE SR-71 mission over North Korea was approved subject to prior examination by CIA of the actual track and validation of intelligence requirements.
- d. Resumption of OLD HEAD U-2 flights was subject to approval by higher authority because of a probable Cuban intercept attempt on an OLD HEAD mission on 18 March. On 5 April 1971, higher authority approved one OLD HEAD mission which was flown without incident. Subsequently, the 40 Committee telephonically approved resumption of weekly OLD HEAD overflights commencing on 8 April.
- e. The SENIOR LANCE proposal for U-2 was withdrawn at the request of DOD. The proposal will be submitted at a future date 25X1

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